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SUBJ: CONTINUED TURKISH PRESS REACTION TO THE

ARMENIAN ISSUE

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1. APRIL 24 TURKISH PRESS CONTINUED ITS COVERAGE OF THE ARMENIAN ISSUE. THE MOST PROMINENT STORY WAS IN SENSATIONALIST MASS-CIRCULATION HURRIYET ARTICLE BANNER HEADLINE "THEY ARE VOMITING UP THEIR GRUDGE" WHICH CHARGED THAT ARMENIANS WERE COOPERATING WITH THE GREEKS TO START AN ANTI-TURKEY PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGN FOR WORLD PUBLIC OPINION. THE ARTICLE CLAIMED THAT A PROFESSOR TORIKYAN, AN AMERICAN ARMENIAN, WAS IN ATHENS TO COORDINATE THIS CAMPAIGN AND STATED THAT TORIKYAN CLAIMED CREDIT FOR HAVING SUCCEEDED IN OBTAINING PASSAGE OF THE "MAN'S INHUMANITY TO MAN" RESOLUTION IN THE HOUSE. HURRIEYT OF THE GREEK PEOPLE IN THIS ANTI-TURKISH CAMPAIGN, EVEN THOUGH HE PERSONALLY DOES NOT LIKE ARMENIANS BECAUSE THEY HAD COOPERATED WITH THE NAZIS AGAINST GREEK REVOLUTIONARIES. THE ARTICLE ALSO SAID THAT AMERICAN ARMENIANS WERE CALLING FOR A UNCLASSIFIED

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BOYCOTT OF TURKISH GOODS.

- 2. MASS-CURCULATION GUNAYDIN REPORTED THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF FRANCE HAD EXEMPTED THE PEOPERTIES OF ARMENIAN ORGANIZATIONS FROM TAXES, A MOVE WHICH WOULD PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR ANTI-TURKISH ACTIVITIES.
- 3. LIBERAL MILLIYET REPORTED THAT THE U.S. SENATE HAD NOT RPT NOT YET ACTED ON THE HOUSE RESOLUTION AND THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT OPPOSED THE RESOLUTION.

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